



# Appalachian Local Pastor School

## 2016 Course Schedule

Course titles below are for the "Revised COS Curriculum" published by the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry (effective 2015). Carefully check your registration and **do not register for a course you have already taken.** Please use the [Curriculum Grid](#) and [COS Program Completion Checklist](#) on page 3 and 4 to plan your 2016 courses.

<u>Course</u>	<u>ALPS Faculty</u>
<b>SPRING 2016</b>	
March 4-5 and 18-19 London, Kentucky..... <b>Eastern Time Zone</b>	
COS 321 (formerly 311) Bible III: Gospels	Russ Sisson
April 8-9 and 22-23 Madisonville, Kentucky..... <b>Central Time Zone</b>	
COS 224 (formerly 114) Administration and Polity	Rex Kaney
<b>MAY 15-27, 2016 (MAY 15 REGISTRATION) UNION COLLEGE, BARBOURVILLE, KENTUCKY - Eastern Time Zone</b>	
<b>May 16-20 Morning</b>	
COS 123 (formerly 213) Formation for Discipleship	Paul Walles
COS 223 (formerly 413) Worship and Sacraments	Ken Ramsey
COS 521 (formerly 511) Bible V: Acts, Epistles & Revelation	Russell Sisson
<b>May 16-20 Afternoon</b>	
COS 124 (new course*) Transformative Leadership (do not take if have taken 113)	Rex Kaney
COS 221 (formerly 211) Bible II: Torah & Israel's History	Rodney Duke
COS 422 (formerly 412) Theological Heritage IV: Wesleyan Movement	Charles Brockwell
<b>May 23-27 Morning</b>	
COS 121 (formerly 111) Bible I: Introduction	Russell Sisson
COS 323 (formerly 314) Congregational Care	Elizabeth Walker
COS 424 (formerly 414) Ethics	Jack Keller
<b>May 23-27 Afternoon</b>	
COS 224 (formerly 114) Administration and Polity	Rex Kaney
COS 322 (formerly 312) Theological Heritage III: Medieval/Reformation	Ken Kinghorn
COS 523 (formerly 313) Evangelism	Eddie Fox
<b>FALL 2016</b>	
Sept. 9-10 and 23-24 London, Kentucky..... <b>Eastern Time Zone</b>	
COS 222 (formerly 212) Theological Heritage II: Early Church	Ken Kinghorn
Sept. 30-Oct. 1 and 21-22 Madisonville, Kentucky..... <b>Central Time Zone</b>	
COS 122 (formerly 112) Theological Heritage I: Introduction	Charles Brockwell

**May School – pre-course assignments are due April 5, 2016**

**Weekend Courses- pre-course assignments are due 4 weeks prior to the first class of the Course**

Do Not send pre-course assignments by certified mail. This will save you money and delays. If no one is available to sign for it, your mail might be returned.

**ALPS reserves the right to cancel courses due to insufficient enrollment**

**Local Pastors, please carefully read the information below.**

**IMPORTANT COURSE INFORMATION:**

- Course titles and the first COS course number listed on the 2016 schedule are the same as the GBHEM - COS Revised Curriculum that became effective 2015. The former curriculum course number is the second number listed.
- **Please use the COS Revised Five Year Curriculum "effective 2015" and the COS Program Completion Checklist provided on the next two pages to plan your course registration.**
- **Please use the COS Completion Chart on page 4 and your transcript to ensure that you do not take the same course twice.** The Completion Chart shows how the former COS Curriculum and current revised curriculum course exchange works (i.e. 111 counts for 121, etc.). Use your transcript from GBHEM to fill in the courses you have completed. Then, you can see what new courses from the 2015 curriculum that you need to complete.

**MAY SCHOOL:**

Registration Deadline - February 15

Pre-course Assignment deadline - April 5 (additional course work may be assigned)

Union College in Barbourville, KY - Eastern Time Zone

**WEEKEND SCHOOLS:**

\*Registration deadline-one month prior to class

\*Pre-course Assignment deadline - four weeks prior to class (additional coursework may likely be assigned in addition to prework)

\*Weekend course schedule: 5:30-9:00 p.m. on Friday; Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Madisonville, KY - **Central Time Zone**

London, KY - **Eastern Time Zone**

**COURSE REGISTRATION AND TUITION PAYMENT...NEW PROCEDURES:** You must pay your course registration and tuition balance prior to attending courses. Please e-mail or call Dr. Barbara Nye if you are unable to pay your course registration prior to the course and need a payment extension.

**ALPS WEBSITE** - [www.alpsumc.org](http://www.alpsumc.org) Download ALPS Registration forms and Course syllabus. These cannot be mailed to you. Likely, you can download forms and the course syllabus at your local library if help is needed. Course Location Maps, hotel information, etc. are on the website.

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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Contact Pam for registration, financial statements or grade questions. E-mail provides a quicker response and helps us maintain a record of your request. Pam lives in the Central Time Zone.
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Contact Barbara for All other questions. Barbara lives in the Central Time Zone.
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**MERGER INFORMATION:**

As of August, 2015, the ALPS and Memphis, TN, Holston COS Extension Schools have merged. Please read the Public Announcement of merger on the [www.alpsumc.org](http://www.alpsumc.org) website. This merger will provide many new opportunities. We look forward to working with local pastors. For weekend in classes in Tennessee currently check [www.alpsumc.org](http://www.alpsumc.org) (**Mem-TN-Hol tab**)

**General Board of Higher Education and Ministry: GBHEM  
Course of Study Five Year Curriculum: Effective 2015**

FOCUS	Year One- Foundation	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five- Integrative
<b>Bible</b>	<b>121</b>  Bible I: Introduction	<b>221</b>  Bible II: Torah & Israel's History	<b>321</b>  Bible III: Gospels	<b>421</b>  Bible IV: Prophets, Psalms & Wisdom Lit	<b>521</b>  Bible V: Acts, Epistles & Revelation
<b>Theology</b>	<b>122</b>  Theological Heritage I: Introduction	<b>222</b>  Theological Heritage II: Early Church	<b>322</b>  Theological Heritage III: Medieval- Reformation	<b>422</b>  Theological Heritage IV: Wesleyan Movement	<b>522</b>  Theology in the Contemporary Church
<b>Congregational Life</b>	<b>123</b>  Formation & Discipleship	<b>223</b>  Worship & Sacraments	<b>323</b>  Congregational Care	<b>423</b>  Mission	<b>523</b>  Evangelism
<b>Pastoral Identity</b>	<b>124</b>  Transformative Leadership	<b>224</b>  Administration & Polity	<b>324</b>  Preaching	<b>424</b>  Ethics	<b>524</b>  Theological Reflection: Practice of Ministry

**New Local Pastors beginning the Course of Study in the Revised Curriculum should try to take 100 level courses first and 500 courses last. 500 level courses are integrative, capstone and build on prior courses. 100 level courses provide introductory content to assist local pastors in successfully completing upper level courses.**

**For example, it is very helpful to take the Theology courses in order as the historical information builds from the preceding courses. 121 should be taken before other Bible Courses.**

**After consulting the planning chart below, contact Dr. Barbara Nye, if you have a question about which course to take in the Revised Curriculum or if you have a question about whether you are eligible to enroll in a higher level course if you have not taken the 100 courses. [615-289-4332](tel:615-289-4332) [bnyel1@earthlink.net](mailto:bnyel1@earthlink.net)**

**If you started in Course of Study prior to 2015, try to complete your remaining courses before taking a 500 level courses and try to complete the 100 level courses as soon as possible. Before you register, contact Dr. Nye if you plan to register for a 500 level course without having taken the majority of the courses**

**We look forward to seeing you in 2016 COS courses which are designed and required for all Local Pastors serving the United Methodist Church.**

## Revised Five Year Course of Study: COS Program Completion Checklist

<u>Course Titles and Numbers</u> New Curriculum is BLACK/ <i>Old curriculum is RED</i>	<u>Curriculum Ending</u> <u>12/31/2014</u> List courses taken below	<u>New Revised Curriculum</u> <u>Beginning 1/1/2015</u> List courses taken below
<b>121-Bible I: Introduction</b> 111 Pastor as Interpreter of the Bible		
<b>122-Theological Heritage I: Introduction</b> 112 Theology in the Wesleyan Spirit		
<b>113-Pastoral Care for Spiritual Formation</b>		<i>Not Required</i>
<b>123-Formation &amp; Discipleship</b> 213 Formation for Christian Discipleship		
<b>124-Transformative Leadership</b>	<i>Not Required</i>	Required if not taken 113
<b>221-Bible II: Torah &amp; Israel's History</b> 211 Hebrew Bible I		
<b>222-Theological Heritage II: Early Church</b> 212 Theological Heritage: Early & Medieval		
<b>223-Worship &amp; Sacraments</b> 413 Worship and Sacraments		
<b>224-Administration and Polity</b> 114 Pastoral Leadership & Administration		
<b>321-Bible III: Gospels</b> 311 New Testament I		
<b>322-Theological Heritage III: Medieval/Reformation</b> 312 Theological Heritage: Reformation		
<b>323-Congregation Care</b> 314 Pastoral Care and Counseling		
<b>324-Preaching</b> 214 Practice of Preaching		
<b>421-Bible IV: Prophets, Psalms, &amp; Wisdom Literature</b> 411 Hebrew Bible II		
<b>422-Theological Heritage IV: Wesleyan Movement</b> 412 Wesleyan Movement		
<b>423 Mission</b> 513 Our Mission from God: Transforming Agent		
<b>424-Ethics</b> 414 Personal & Social Ethics		
<b>521-Bible V: Acts, Epistles &amp; Revelation</b> 511 New Testament II		
<b>522-Theology in the Contemporary Church</b> 512 Contemporary Theology		
<b>523-Evangelism</b> 313 Our Mission From God: Evangelism		
<b>524-Theological Reflection: Practice of Ministry</b> 514 Theology & the Practice of Ministry		

Emory Chart adapted - Dates effective are for ALPS & Memphis/Tennessee/Holston COS Programs (8/14/2014)

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